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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0032

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF AGRICULTURAL COMMUNES STAFFED BY MINISTRY  
EMPLOYEES

REF A VIENTIANE A-05, B VIENTIANE 0005, C 76 VIENTIANE 2955,  
D VIENTIANE 0010

1. A LAO SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF JANUARY 3 OF A JANUARY 2  
CONVERSATION HE REPORTEDLY HAD WITH AN EMPLOYEE OF THE  
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH. THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMPLOYEE  
REPORTEDLY SAID THAT ALL MINISTRIES WERE REQUIRED TO  
PLAN AND CONSTRUCT AGRICULTURAL STATIONS IN RURAL  
AREAS TO BE STAFFED BY MINISTRY EMPLOYEES. INITIALLY,  
THE EMPLOYEES WOULD NOT BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR  
FAMILIES, BUT THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMPLOYEE SAID HE  
BELIEVED THE FAMILIES WOULD ALSO BE SENT ONCE THE  
STATIONS WERE ESTABLISHED

2. THE PARTY "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" JANUARY 5 CARRIED  
A REPORT THAT THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTS AND  
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IRRIGATION HAD SENT A GROUP OF ITS OFFICIALS TO XIENG  
KHOUANG PROVINCE TO "INSPECT THE AREAS FOR AN APPROPRI-  
ATE LOCATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL  
SETTLEMENT, AN AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL AND ONE  
EXPERIMENTAL SETTLEMENT FOR CULTIVATION AND LIVE-  
STOCK RAISING."

3. GOVERNMENT ORDER NUMBER 49 ISSUED BY THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE SEPTEMBER 25 (REF A) HAD INSTRUCTED: "MINISTRIES AND EQUIVALENT ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICES, SUBDIVISIONS AND ARMY ORGANIZATION ATTACHED TO THE PARTY AND CENTRAL GOVERNMENT MUST HAVE THEIR OWN PROJECTS TO BUILD CULTIVATION AND AGRICULTURAL COMMUNES."

4. REF B MADE REFERENCE TO AN "AGRICULTURAL AND LIVE-STOCK RAISING CENTER" AT VEUN KHAM (APPARENTLY IN XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE) WHICH IS RUN BY EMPLOYEES OF THE LAO MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR, WAR VETERANS AND SOCIAL WELFARE.

5. COMMENT: ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNES TO BE STAFFED BY VIENTIANE BUREAUCRATS APPEARS TO BE IN LINE WITH POSSIBLE LPDR INTENTIONS (REPORTED REF C) TO REDUCE THE POPULATION OF VIENTIANE BY RUSTICATING MANY OF THE CITY'S RESIDENTS. SUCH A PROGRAM COULD ALSO PROVIDE A PARTIAL EXPLANATION FOR THE INCREASED FLOW OF LAO REFUGEES INTO THAILAND, NOTED REF D.

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